# INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: <u>Mary Selby Burgess House</u> Survey Number: <u>HO-646</u>
Project: MD 32 from MD 108 to I-70 Agency: FHWA/SHA
Site visit by MHT Staff: X no yes Name Date
Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended X
Criteria:AB X_CD Considerations:ABCDEFGNone
Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)
Based on the available information, the Mary Selby Burgess House, located at 3075 MD 32, in the West Friendship vicinity of Howard County, does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for individual listing. The property includes a late 19th century frame house, frame tenant house and frame barn. The ell-shaped main house is somewhat unusual for its double cross gabled facade. However, the house does not appear to possess sufficient architectural significance to warrant listing under Criterion C. In addition, the historic character of the house has been considerably obscured by extensive use of vinyl siding and wrapping of trim. According to the information provided by SHA, the tenant house is in ruins. The frame "barn" is little more than a shed. The property has no known association with any significant event or person. It is not located in any known historic district.
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project File, Maryland Inventory
Form HO-562
Prepared by: Rita Suffness, SHA
Elizabeth Hannold August 11, 1995
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date
NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable
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Reviewer, NR program Date

#### MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I.	Geographic Region:				
	Eastern Shore Western Shore	(all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil) (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles,			
<u>x</u>	Piedmont	Prince George's and St. Mary's) (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)			
	Western Maryland	(Allegany, Garrett and Washington)			
II.	Chronological/Developmental Periods:				
	Paleo-Indian Early Archaic Middle Archaic Late Archaic Early Woodland Middle Woodland Late Woodland/Archaic Contact and Settlement Rural Agrarian Intensification Agricultural-Industrial Transi Industrial/Urban Dominance Modern Period Unknown Period ( prehisto	A.D. 1815-1870 A.D. 1870-1930 A.D. 1930-Present			
III.	Prehistoric Period Themes:	IV. Historic Period Themes:			
	Subsistence Settlement  Political Demographic Religion Technology Environmental Adaption	Agriculture  X Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning Economic (Commercial and Industrial) Government/Law Military Religion Social/Educational/Cultural Transportation			
V. R	esource Type:				
	Category: <u>Buildings</u>				
	Historic Environment: Rural				
	Historic Function(s) and Use(s):Domestic - single dwelling; Agricultural				
	outbuilding				
	Known Design Source:na				

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### **HISTORIC CONTEXT:**

#### MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organizations: **Piedmont** 

Chronological/Development Period: Industrial/Urban Dominance

A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:

Agriculture Architecture

Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:

Domestic/single dwelling/residence

Agriculture/Subsistence/Agriculture outbuilding/barn

Known Design Source: None

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. HO - 646 Magi No. DOE \_\_yes \_\_no

1. Nam	e (indicate pre	eferred name)		
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nistoric Mary	Selby Burgess House	2		
and/or common				<del></del>
2. Loca	ation			
street & number	3075 MD 32		N/	A not for publication
city, town	West Friendship	vicinity of	congressional district	
state MD		county	Howard	
3. Clas	sification			
Category district _X building(s) structure site object	Ownership publicX private both Public Acquisition in process being considered xnot_applicable	StatusX occupied unoccupied work in progress Accessible yes: restricted yes: unrestricted _X no	Present Use agriculture commercial educational entertainment government industrial military	museum park _X private residence religious scientific transportation other:
4. Owr	er of Prope	rty (give names a	nd mailing addresses	of <u>all</u> owners)
name Mrs.	Wilford Davis			
street & number	. 3075 MD 32		telephone no	.:410-489-4981
city, town Wes	t Friendship	state	and zip code MD 21	794
		al Description	on	
courthouse, reg	istry of deeds, etc. Cou	rthouse		liber 251
street & number				folio <sup>354</sup>
city, town E11	icott City		state	Maryland
6. Rep	resentation	in Existing	Historical Surve	eys
title				
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city, town			state	

7. Desc	Description  Survey No.  HO - 646			
Condition excellent good fair	deteriorated ruins unexposed	Check one unaltered X altered	Check one $\underline{X}$ original site $\underline{M}$ moved date of move	

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

8. Significance			Survey No. HO - 6	Survey No. HO - 646	
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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. HO - 646

Land Records, Howard County

10. Geograph	ical Data		
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The Marvland	Historic Sites	Inventory was	officially created by
an Act of th	e Maryland Legis	lature to be	found in the Annotated
Code of Mary	land, Article 41	, Section 181	KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Description
Continuation Sheet 7.1

The Mary Selby Burgess property is a twenty five acre parcel of land located on the east side of MD 32 just south of a small settlement called west Friendship in Howard County, Maryland. The environs of the site is a rapidly developing part of Howard County, with large properties slated for or complete with suburban housing developments to the south and west of it. The lot is the location of a late nineteenth century ell-shaped frame house which is oriented to its entrance from MD 32 on the west, and a small, dilapidated and unused frame barn to the east in the woods. The ruins of a frame tenant house are northeast of the main dwelling.

The dwelling is made up of two, two-story wings which intersect in the southwest corner. The west gable end of the perpendicular secondary wing (east - west) is expressed as a cross gable in the principal (west) entrance facade. An identical cross gable in the north bay balances this west elevation, which has an entrance offset slightly to the north, sheltered under a full width, shed roofed porch carried on lathe turned posts. This porch is carried around the southwest corner and across the south elevation, with the eastmost bay filled in. A small enclosed pantry fills in the angle of the two wings on the rear, along with small open porch. A concrete block chimney rises up through the roof of this pantry along the outside east wall of the principal wing.

The building has been clad with vinyl siding and many new windows have been installed. The current owners report that the building had been vacant for some years before they purchased it in 1953. The interior completely renovated, resulting in an abundant use of fiberboard wall panels, dropped acoustic ceilings, removal of some original finishes and displacement of the staircase to the rear (east) wall of the north parlor of the principal wing. Windows were changed to doorways and some internal partitions removed.

This property was part of the considerable land holdings of Enoch Selby in the late nineteenth century. He was a minor member of the Selby family, widespread throughout Howard County and Maryland. Within a few decades after purchasing fifty acres from George Moke (Liber 30, Folio 47, 1870), Enoch's daughter Mary Selby Burgess was residing on the property. She inherited it from her father upon his death in 1899. (WHM #4, Register of Wills). The property rapidly passed through a number of owners after the Burgesses sold it in 1926, resulting in a number of years in which the house was unoccupied and derelict prior to the 1953 purchase by the current owners who completed major renovations to make it livable.

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Statement of Significance Continuation Sheet 8.1

The Mary Selby Burgess property is a remnant of a late nineteenth century property she inherited from her father Enoch Selby. The house was likely constructed by her father for her use. Composed of a highly altered, vinyl clad and gutted dwelling and a small dilapidated frame barn located in the woods east of it, the site is of marginal historical or architectural significance. It is representative of the small landholding typical of modestly successful farmers of the day.

















